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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
10 AT TACOMA

11 CHARLES DEAN,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of
Social Security,

15 Defendant.
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Case No. C08-5112RJB-KLS

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
REQUEST ORAL ARGUMENT

21 This matter has been referred to Magistrate Judge Karen L. Strombom pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §
22 636(b)(1), Local Magistrates Rules MJR 3 and 4, and Rule 72 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
23 The case is before the Court on plaintiff's filing of a motion for leave to request oral argument. (Dkt.
24 #17). After reviewing plaintiff's motion and the balance of the record, the Court finds and orders as
25 follows:

26 Plaintiff has filed a complaint seeking judicial review of the denial of his application for disability
27 insurance benefits. (Dkt. #1). All briefing in this matter has been completed (Dkt. #14-#16). Although,
28 as noted by plaintiff, requests for oral argument should be made in the party's brief (Dkt. #12), he now
seeks such argument, asserting that it will aid the Court's decision-making. While the Court is not

1 denying the request because it was not timely or properly made, the Court does not find oral argument to
2 be necessary for the proper resolution of this matter. Accordingly, plaintiff's motion for leave to request
3 oral argument (Dkt. #17) hereby is DENIED.

4 The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to counsel for plaintiff and defendant.

5 DATED this 29th day of August, 2008.

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9 Karen L. Strombom
10 United States Magistrate Judge
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